

111TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 3663

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the date on which the accreditation requirement under the Medicare Program applies to suppliers of durable medical equipment that are pharmacies.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE (for himself, Mr. TERRY, Mr. BERRY, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. DOGGETT, and Mr. POMEROY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF MEDICARE DME ACCREDITA-**  
4 **TION DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN PHARMACIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1834(a)(20)(F)(i) of the  
6 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(20)(F)(i)) is

1 amended by inserting before the semicolon the following:  
2 “, except that the Secretary shall not require under this  
3 clause pharmacies to obtain such accreditation before Jan-  
4 uary 1, 2010”.

5 (b) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in subsection (a) shall  
6 be construed as affecting the application of an accredita-  
7 tion requirement for pharmacies to qualify for bidding in  
8 a competitive acquisition area under section 1847 of the  
9 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–3).

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